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The Honorable Michael Connor
Commissioner
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of the Interior Building
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Commissioner Connor:

We write to request information related to the Department of the Interior's ("DOI") Klamath Non-use Valuation Survey ("Survey"). The Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") control number for the Survey is 1090-0010.

Through this letter, we request information regarding communication on this issue between the Bureau of Reclamation ("BOR") and DOI, as well as with non-governmental groups. A thorough response on behalf of BOR is important for the Committee to carry out its oversight and legislative responsibilities.

We expect a complete written response to be provided to the Committee no later than April 4, 2012.

A. Documents and Items to Be Produced

1. Any and all documents and communication relating to the Klamath Non-use Valuation Survey ("Survey").
2. Any and all documents and communications between BOR and DOI regarding the Survey, including but not limited to information related to the drafting and purpose of the Survey.
3. Any and all documents and communications with non-federal agencies, including state and local government agencies, and all non-government groups regarding the Survey.

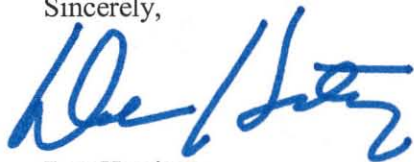
4. Any and all documents and communications with OMB or OIRA relating to the Survey, including the format of the Survey, the number of mailings involved in the Survey, and the total cost of the Survey.
5. Any and all documents and communications with OMB or OIRA regarding the use of monetary awards for receipt and completion of the Survey.
6. A complete set of all surveys sent out, including any and all attachments or enclosures to the Survey information, as well as any scripts or instructions created for any telephone portions of the Survey.
7. Any and all documents and communications related to DOI's contractual relationship with RTI International, including but not limited to communications with RTI International and a copy of the contract entered into with RTI International for the Survey.
8. Any and all comments or feedback received in response to the Federal Register notices published related to the Survey.

B. Questions to be Answered

9. Please provide a list of all mailing addresses the Surveys were sent to in a searchable chart format.
10. Please provide the total cost to date of this survey; including the cost of the contract with RTI, the cost of the mailings, and the cost of any inserts into the Survey.
11. Please provide a list of all nongovernment groups, agencies, or individuals that provided feedback, comments, or input on the Survey.

An attachment to this letter provides additional information about responding to the Committee's request, including definitions and instructions for compliance. Please contact Machalagh Carr, Counsel, Office of Oversight and Investigations at 202-225-2761, with any questions regarding this request, or to make arrangements for the production. Thank you for your prompt and personal attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Doc Hastings
Chairman
Natural Resources Committee



Tom McClintock
Subcommittee Chairman
Water and Power

Responding to Committee Document Requests

A. Definitions

1. The term “document” means any written, recorded, or graphic matter of any nature whatsoever, regardless of how recorded, and whether original or copy, including, but not limited to, the following: memoranda, reports, recorded notes, letters, notices, confirmations, receipts, checks, envelopes, presentations, pamphlets, brochures, interoffice and intra office communications, electronic mails (e-mails), notations of any type of conversation, telephone call, voice mail, phone mail, meeting or other communication, diaries, analyses, summaries, messages, correspondence, circulars, opinions, work sheets (and all drafts, preliminary versions, alterations, modifications, revisions, changes, and amendments of any of the foregoing, as well as any attachments or appendices thereto), and electronic, mechanical, and electric records or representations of any kind, and other written, printed, typed, or other graphic or recorded matter of any kind or nature, however produced or reproduced, and whether preserved in writing, film, tape, disk, videotape, or otherwise.
2. The term “communication” means each manner or means of disclosure or exchange of information, regardless of means utilized, whether oral, electronic, by document or otherwise, and whether face-to-face, in a meeting, by telephone, mail, e-mail, discussions, releases, personal delivery, or otherwise.
3. The terms “and” and “or” shall be construed broadly and either conjunctively or disjunctively to bring within the scope of this document request. The singular includes the plural. The masculine includes the feminine.
4. As used herein, “referring” or “relating” means and includes “constituting,” “pertaining,” “evidencing,” “reflecting,” “describing,” or “having anything to do with,” and in each instance, directly or indirectly. These terms mean, without limitation, any reference or relationship which either (a) provides information with respect to the subject of the inquiry, or (b) might lead to individuals who, or documents which, might possess or contain information with respect to the subject of the inquiry.

B. Instructions

1. In complying with this document request, you are required to produce all responsive documents, materials, or items that are in your possession, custody, or control, whether held by you or your past or present agents, employees, representatives, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, partnerships, and departments acting on your behalf. You are also required to produce documents that you have a legal right to obtain, that you have a right to copy or to which you have access, as well as documents that you have placed in the temporary possession, custody, or control of any third party. No records, documents, data or information called

for by this request shall be destroyed, modified, removed, transferred or otherwise made inaccessible to the Committee.

2. In the event that any entity, organization or individual denoted in this document request has been, or is also known by any other name than that herein denoted, the document request shall be read also to include them under that alternative identification.
3. Each document produced shall be produced in a form that renders that document capable of being printed or copied.
4. Documents produced in response to this document request shall be produced together with copies of file labels, dividers, envelopes, or identifying markers with which they were associated when this document request was served. Documents produced to this document request shall also identify to which paragraph from the document request such documents are responsive. Moreover, please include with your response, an index identifying each record and label (preferably by bates stamping) the documents. The Committee prefers, if possible, to receive all documents in electronic format.
5. It shall not be a basis for refusal to produce documents that any other person or entity also possesses documents that are non-identical or identical copies of the same document.
6. If any of the requested information is available in machine-readable or electronic form (such as on a computer server, hard drive, CD, DVD, memory stick, or computer back-up tape), state the form in which it is available and provide sufficient detail to allow the information to be copied to a readable format. If the information requested is stored in a computer, indicate whether you have an existing program that will print the records in a readable form.
7. If compliance with the document request cannot be made in full, compliance shall be made to the extent possible and shall include a written explanation of why full compliance is not possible.
8. In the event that a document is withheld, in whole or in part, based on a claim of privilege, provide the following information concerning any such document: (a) the privilege asserted; (b) the type of document; (c) the general subject matter of the document; (d) the date, author and any recipients; and (e) the relationship of the author and recipients to each other. Claims of privileges are considered under Committee on Natural Resources Rule 4(h) and, similar to all common-law privileges, are recognized only at to the discretion of the Committee.
9. If any document responsive to this document request was, but no longer is, in your possession, custody, or control, identify the document (stating its date, author, subject

and recipients) and explain the circumstances by which the document ceased to be in your possession, custody, or control.

10. If a date or other descriptive detail set forth in this document request referring to a document is inaccurate, but the actual date or other descriptive detail is known to you or is otherwise apparent from the context of the request, you should produce all documents which would be responsive as if the date or other descriptive detail were correct.
11. This request is continuing in nature and applies to any newly-discovered information. Any record, document, compilation of data or information, not produced because it has not been located or discovered by the return date, shall be produced immediately upon location or discovery subsequent thereto.
12. Send all responsive documents and records to:

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